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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Daughters of the American Revolution.
Creator	Lima Manufacturing Co. (Lima, Ind.).
Creator	Wisel, Daniel, 1838-1940
Title	LaGrange County collection
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Administrative History

"In the summer of 1922, Mrs. Lillian Ganiard was asked by the Indiana State Regent to organize a chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in LaGrange County. On March 23, 1923, the chapter organized with twelve members, eight who resided in LaGrange County, and four from Indianapolis, in order to achieve the required twelve.

The name of the chapter, LaGrange de LaFayette, was chosen because the town and county of LaGrange were named for the country home of General de LaFayette, who aided the colonies during the Revolutionary War.

On September 10, 1923, the first regular meeting was at the home of Mrs. Trubey. In 1924, the chapter charter was presented by the State Regent at a dinner held in LaGrange. Mrs. Ganiard represented the chapter at State Conference in Bedford in 1923, and Continental Congress in 1924. Succeeding regents have done the same.

When Constitution Hall was furnished, the chapter donated funds for a chair to honor Mrs. Ganiard."

Excerpt from: Daughters of the American Revolution. "LaGrange de LaFayette Chapter History." Accessed June 28, 2017. <http://www.darindiana.org/lagrange/ChapterHistory.html>.

Biographical Note

Dan Wisel was born March 9, 1838 in Steuben County, Indiana, formerly part of Lagrange County until 1837. Wisel enlisted in the 13th Ohio Cavalry during the U.S. Civil War in 1862. On November 25, 1866, he married Florinda Shaffer, with whom he had four children, two whom died in infancy. Wisel died January 3, 1940 in Steven County, Indiana.

Source:

Ancestry.com. "Dan Wisel." Accessed June 1, 2017. <http://www.ancestrylibrary.com>.

FindAGrave.com. "Dan Wisel." *Find a Grave Index*. Accessed June 1, 2017. <http://www.findagrave.com>.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of three items from LaGrange County, Indiana, including an undated advertising card for the Lima Manufacturing Company's Queen windmill in Lima, Indiana (currently Howe); a short, typed history of the LaGrange courthouse of 1843 and an account of a gavel made of the wood from the 1843 courthouse, which the LaGrange de Lafayette chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) returned to LaGrange County, after 1923; and a seven-page, typed narrative by Dan Wisel entitled, "My Life and Stories of Northern Indiana," dated February, 1934, which included his reminiscences of life in Salem, Indiana in the 1840s, travels to California in 1858 where he worked as a miner and sawmill operator, and his Civil War service in the 13th Ohio Regiment.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a records transfer from Indiana Historical Society, Smith Memorial Library 1950/12/19.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Lima Manufacturing Co. (Lima, Ind.).
- United States. Army. Ohio Cavalry Regiment, 13th (1861-1865).

Genre(s)

- Advertising cards
- Personal narratives

Geographic Name(s)

- LaGrange County (Ind.)
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Military life
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Personal narratives

Personal Name(s)

- Wisel, Daniel, 1838-1940

Subject(s)

- Advertising
- Courthouses
- Howe (Ind.)

- Mills and mill-work
- Reminiscing